

DISCOVER THE MAGIC THROUGH TEAMWORK

**A Collaborative Training Conference
presented by
The Department of Public Instruction/
Office of Special Education/
Secondary Transition
and
Vocational Rehabilitation
October 28, 29 & 30, 2008**



Conference Information and Registration

Pre-conference 8:30 am - 2:30pm, October 28, 2008. The conference begins at 2:45 pm on October 28, 2008 and concludes at noon on October 30, 2008. Registration cost is \$55.00 for all 3 days or \$20.00 per day which includes lunch on Tuesday & Wednesday. The VR Awards Luncheon will be held at 12:30 pm on October 28th.

Pre-conference Information

8:30 am - 9:00 am Transition in ND - Gerry Teevens

Dr. Jim Martin:

- 9:00 am - noon Student Directed Transition Planning
- 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm Transition Assessment



Lodging Information

A block of rooms has been reserved at the **Grand International Inn**, 1505 N Broadway, Minot, ND - 701-852-3161; and these rooms will be released October 20. We recommend you make your motel reservation as soon as possible. Overflow rooms - **Select Inn** 701-852-3411

CEUs

1 Graduate credit available. Fifteen social work CEU's and CRC hours will be available. All credit fees will be collected onsite.

Questions on the conference can be directed to:

LouAnn Nider - 701-328-8916, at: lnider@nd.gov or
Gerry Teevens - 701-328-3731, at: gteevens@nd.gov

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Keynote Speakers

Jim Martin - October 28th Student Directed Transition Planning & Transitions Assessment

Professor James Martin holds the Zarrow Chair in Special Education at the University of Oklahoma and is Director of OU's Zarrow Center. His professional interests focus upon the transition of youth with disabilities from school into further postsecondary education and the workforce, and what must be done to facilitate success in high school and postsecondary environments. In particular, he examines the application of self-determination methodology to educational and workplace settings.

T. Marni Voss - October 28th Things to Consider in the Business of Life

T. Marni Voss is a clean, refreshing humorist. She entertains with her keynotes as she motivates and inspires her audience to be top performers at their work and as individuals. She leaves her audience not only with an additional communication tool, but she leaves them laughing, free of stress, and ready for change. In today's environment where every skill counts, humor, laughter, and creativity can provide a winning edge.

LeDerick Horne - October 29th Beyond Classification

LeDerick R. Horne spent most of his time in school believing he did not have much of a future. A severe learning disability (LD) combined with low self-esteem led him to doubt he would be able to go to college or pursue a meaningful career. But, in the challenging academic environment of New Jersey's Middlesex County College, and with the support offered for his disability through Project Connections, a Learning Disabilities Resource Program at the College, LeDerick became an outstanding student, compiling a 3.75 grade point average. He now is recognized across the country as a speaker and advocate for people with disabilities. Along with the keynote, LeDerick will facilitate a young adult panel.

DeAnne Unruh - October 29th Improving Life Outcomes for Adolescents with Emotional & Behavioral Disorders

Deanne Unruh, Ph.D., is a Senior Research Scientist at the University of Oregon in the College of Education in the Secondary Special Education and Transition (SSET) research unit with research expertise in high risk adolescents involved in juvenile justice. She was a certified trainer for the National Diffusion Network and trained state, district, and school staff nationwide on effective instructional strategies for working with at-risk youth. Her presentation will provide a brief overview of the challenges in providing transition services to this high risk population. Effective collaborative service strategies between schools and community-based will be described.

Nelson Lauver - October 30th Ordinary Americans – Extraordinary Achievements & What's Your Beef?

At age 29, Nelson Lauver, then a parking lot line painter, set a goal: to overcome a lifetime of illiteracy caused by undiagnosed dyslexia. Intense struggle and a never-give-up attitude enabled him to change his life. Today at 44, Nelson is a nationally syndicated journalist and creator/host of the American Storyteller Radio Journal, broadcast coast to coast. Nelson entertains his audiences with his thoughts on goal setting, human potential and what turns ordinary Americans into extraordinary achievers. He continues to be an advocate for literacy and frequently addresses educators and literacy groups around the world.

This two-day conference will include sessions on:

- Aspergers
- Assistive Technology
- Benefits Planning
- Post Secondary Disability Support Services
- Ethics
- Health in the IEP
- Job Corp
- Changing School Culture
- Laughter in the Workplace
- 504 plans
- Students in the Juvenile Justice System
- Student Led IEPs
- Transition Outcomes Project
- Vision Therapy
- And more

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Name _____

Representing _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Registration includes all sessions, breaks and Tuesday and Wednesday's luncheons, as well as all resource and handout materials.

_____ Tuesday, Oct 28, Wednesday, Oct 29, Thursday, Oct 30

Registration fee for all 3 days: \$55.00

_____ Tuesday, Oct 28 - 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Registration fee: \$20.00

_____ Wednesday, Oct 29 - 8:15 am - 4:30 pm

Registration fee: \$20.00

_____ Thursday, Oct 30 8:15 am - Noon

Registration fee: \$20.00

_____ Add \$25.00 for registration postmarked after Oct 1, 2008

_____ **Total amount enclosed (checks payable to ROND)**

Training Accommodation Needs
(Response needed by October 1, 2008)

_____ Braille _____ Disc Format _____ ASL Interpreter

_____ Large Print _____ Listening Device (FM Loop)

_____ Other _____

Specific Dietary Needs _____

To avoid late fee, submit this form and payment no later than October 1, 2008 to:

Sue Robb
North Central Human Service Center
1015 S Broadway Ste 18
Minot, ND 58701-4667

There will be no refunds.

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